



# Dan Haywood

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Recipient

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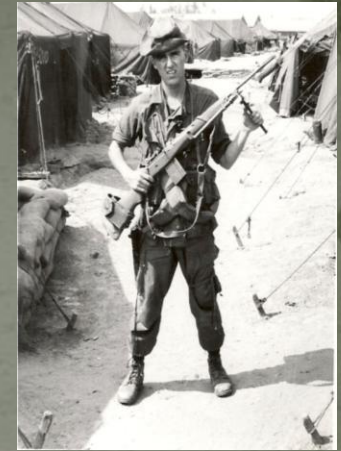
# Career Highlights

- Dan's interest in Infantry Weapons began in 1966 as a young Marine
- After boot camp and some quick infantry training he headed to the Republic of Vietnam





# Career Highlights



- Dan learned the importance of R&D
  - He “traded” his reliable M-14 for the new M-16
  - His experiences defined his vision that no one should go in harm’s way with anything less than the best!
- Upon leaving the Marine Corps he earned an Engineering degree from Virginia Tech.



# Career Highlights

- Dan's engineering prowess and experience served him well at NSWC Dahlgren
- During this time he became involved in the infamous "Charlie Wilson's War"
  - In the early 1980's he travelled throughout Afghanistan equipping and training the Mujahedeen with weapons.



# Career Highlights

- In the late 1980's Dan joined CBG (Infantry Weapons) as the Technical Director and then Deputy Director
- During this time he was responsible for:
  - Getting the SASR into the hands of Marines in less than four months to be used during Desert Storm
  - Improvements to the MEUSOC .45, M40 Sniper Rifle, SMAW, Shotgun,
  - \MP-5
  - The adoption of the M240G machinegun and the Designated Marksmanship Rifle



# The Dan Haywood Stamp

- Designed and developed various sub-system components to integrate weapons systems on different platforms.
- Assessed and evaluated numerous small arms systems
- Provided management and engineering oversight for various small arms acquisition programs
- Co-authored Configuration Management Guide for PMIW

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- He tried to retire in 2002, but was asked to extend a year
- His retirement in 2003 lasted a year before he was asked to come back as a Subject Matter Expert.
- Today, Dan continues to support the Warfighter, never forgetting his roots.



